

Dunsmuir is enthusiastic about event. Chris Skow / Trains Unlimited will be running a train to event, plus a Black Butte train.

### Legal Counsel Report

David Luddington has offered to be our corporate counsel and has been appointed by President McClure

### Public Comments

- Discussion Board has been replaced by blog.
- Railfan Photographer Day will be September 24, 2011.
- Bruce Veilleux paid for repair to failed power supply on webcam.

### Notices

- Election nominations opened January 1, 2011

### Closed Session

Meeting adjourned to closed session at 2:11 PM and reconvened to open session at 3:14 PM. Director Vicknair reported the following out of closed session:

"The Board heard a report on a legal issue – FRRS v. Kasten / ITAC. Consensus direction given, no action taken.

The Board heard a report on a legal issue – FRRS v. Morgan. Consensus direction given, no action taken.

The Board heard a report on the donation of the Ken Meeker collection, which will be tallied as a fractional donation starting in 2011 tax year."

## February 2011 Board Meeting Motions and Actions Summary

### Correspondance

- Thom Anderson has announced his resignation from the WPRRHS administration after the 2011 Convention.

### Motion 11-02-01

#### Consent Calendar

Motion to accept consent calendar with Minutes of the November 2010, December 2010 and January 2011 General Meetings.

Vicknair / Habeck. Aye – 8, Nay – 0, Abstain – 1.  
Motion carries.

### Motion 11-02-02

#### National Train Show 2011

David Epling presented costs to attend the show, which is part of the NMRA National Convention. Price for booth: \$395 for 10' X 10', \$775 for 10' X 20'.

Discussion concerning cost v. benefit.

NMRA will be sending two busses of visitors for RALs. Epling to cover museum, staff booths with volunteers. Motion to approve signing up for 2 tables and participate at show.

McClure / Habeck. Aye – 8, Nay – 0, Abstain – 0.  
Motion carries.

### Motion 11-02-03

#### Museum Signage

Eugene Vicknair presented a budget and plan for the creation of equipment and informational signage. Motion to approve report and authorize sign creation. Carter / Monger. Aye – 8, Nay – 0, Abstain – 0.  
Motion carries.

### Motion 11-02-04

#### Budget Revision

Eugene Vicknair and James Mason presented a report to revise the 2011 Budget and review Budget in June / July timeframe. Discussion if \$15,000 proposed for Gift Shop is enough. Budget to be reviewed in June and submitted for revision.

Question about new Gift Shop / Museum Store door budget which is under Facilities line item. David Epling to do inventory in June to aid in budget discussions.

Motion to approve report and actions, budget to be reviewed for revision in June 2011.  
McClure / Vicknair. Aye – 8, Nay – 0, Abstain – 0.  
Motion carries.

### Motion 11-02-05

#### Admission Revision

Eugene Vicknair presented a report to covering clarifications to the Admission Policy. Motion to approve report and revisions. Vicknair / Carter. Aye – 8, Nay – 0, Abstain – 0.  
Motion carries.

### Motion 11-02-06

#### Collections Management Committee

Chris Allan presented a report to restructure and rename the Acquisition / DeAcquisition Committee. Wayne Monger pointed out that we need to move the three items from Holmes property. Discussion about having Scott Franklin move these in July. Motion to approve report and restructure A&D Committee to Collections Management Committee. Vicknair / McClure. Aye – 7, Nay – 1, Abstain – 0.  
Motion carries.

### Motion 11-02-07

#### Honorary Life Member Approval

Rod McClure requested approval to give Steve Lee an

honorary life membership in thanks for his service to the Society.

Motion to grant Honorary Family Life Membership to Steve Lee.

Brehm / Carter. Aye – 8, Nay – 0, Abstain – 0.

Motion carries.

### **Motion 11-02-08**

#### G I Wheels Weekend

Tom Carter proposed a concept to overlay a theme on Railfan Day to highlight the military use of railroads and service of the WP to US service. Event would have reenactors, military equipment and participation by military and ex-military personnel. Proposed dates are September 18-19, 2011.

Proposes that proceeds from the event go to restoration of Charles O. Sweetwood.

Reenactors would provide jeep and half-track rides and donate proceeds to museum. Would try to get Army participation, including request to send gen-set.

That weekend is Reno Air Races. We are typically busy that weekend due to Air Races.

Motion to approve G I Wheels Weekend concept.

Habeck / Monger Aye – 8, Nay – 0, Abstain – 0.

Motion carries.

### **President's Report**

- McClure and Cody Wilson started all rubber tire equipment, all but truck crane started easy.
- Someone destroyed cables for the white forklift and cost us \$600 for new cables.
- Year-End Fundraiser is still bringing in donations. Pin order has been delayed, delaying thank you letters.
- Insurance has gone down slightly and has been renewed for next year.

### **Museum Manager's Report**

- Grossed \$5055 at last Sacramento show. Still chasing \$700 in credit card orders. Looking at ability to take credit cards over a smartphone at shows.
- We now take Discover card in the gift shop.
- Duane Vanderveen has redone women's restroom and has been insulating gift shop using materials on hand.
- New gift shop entrance door is being installed.
- Coming weekend is Eastern Plumas County winterfest. We will be running trains and having gift shop in SN 1642 caboose.

### **Financial Report**

- Question at last Board Meeting about special rates for non-profit. Contacted state PUC and found out that we are not entitled to special rates or no taxes.
- This year's December power bill was just over \$500 vs. over \$1000 in years past. CFL bulbs and better control on power use credited.

- Reviewed balance sheet and covered how the assets are listed in the inventory.

- Total deficit was \$29,000 for 2010. This was less than expected and there was a lot of cost control that is credited for this. Considering economy, this is a positive.

- So far we are doing well for this year. End of the year fundraiser is benefiting us greatly, has brought in estimated near \$20,000.

- Motion 11 – 02 – 09 (McClure / Habeck). To delete restricted fund 40416 – DRGW boxcar and transfer negative balance in 40422 – Steam Fund. Aye – 8, Nay – 0, Abstain – 0. Motion carries.

### **Director's Reports**

*Holmes* – Got backhoe greased. Applied for grant to print brochures but we did not get grant.

### **Event Reports**

#### *Portola Railroad Days*

- Debra Baer attended CalFest event in San Diego and attended some conferences on advertising, social networking, etc. Provided report on what she learned and minutes of RR Days meetings.

- She is working on Spike Driving contest and provided information on how she wants to handle it this year.

This will be signature event of RR Days. Also talking about presenting to US Bank about sponsorship.

- Discussed coordination with museum on RR Days and ideas for improving the event. Will be speaking to vendors at Winterail and encouraging them to attend.

- We need more railroadians vendors at museum. Debra offered to encourage this. Will be speaking to Brad Lomazzi to coordinate vendors.

### **Department Reports**

*Publications* – Train Sheet off to printer. No articles for next issue.

*Historical* – Monger reported that digitization of the Articles of Incorporation has begun and costs are running below estimate. Ledger books have been delivered for scanning. Next step will be survey maps. Convention registration is going well. There will be an excursion on the City of Prineville with shay. Vicknair reported that Bob Sims coordinated the purchase of a 1907 WPRy surveyor's transit.

### **Public Comments**

*Wagner* – will be bringing check to next crew training for renewal of iVolunteer software. Software is being well used now.

*Vicknair* – Amtrak is offering 2 baggage carts for donation. Carter to follow up.

### **Closed Session**

Meeting adjourned to closed session at 3:30 PM and

reconvened to open session at 4:08 PM. Director Vicknair reported the following:

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The Board heard a report on a Business Issue – Off-Site Event. Consensus direction given, no action taken.

The Board heard a report on a Personnel Issue - Manager Contract. Motion 11 – 02 – 10 (Vicknair / McClure), to renew Museum Manager contract on an automatic 30 day basis until replaced by coming hourly wage structure. Aye – 7, Nay – 0, Abstain – 1. Motion carries."

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## March 2011 Board Meeting Motions and Actions Summary

### Correspondance

• President McClure received letter from RLHS Southern California Chapter. Looking for early mechanical reefer car for storage purposes.

### Motion 11-03-01

#### Consent Calendar

Motion to table consent calendar April meeting. Habeck / Holmes. Aye – 8, Nay – 0, Abstain – 0. Motion carries.

### Motion 11-03-02

#### Management Stipend

James Mason and Eugene Vicknair presented a proposal for a Management Stipend for expenses incurred by the President and Vice-President in service of the FRRS.

Reviewed item about authorization / notification about credit card use.

Special project expenses and travel would be accounted / covered separately.

Motion to approve program and review at June 2011 Meeting.

Spikes / Vicknair. Aye – 6, Nay – 1, Abstain – 1. Motion carries.

### President's Report

- Lots of snow but it is melting quickly.
- Year-end fundraiser: gift items were delayed. Calendars received, pins coming next week. Still

receiving donations from Year-end letter.

### Museum Manager's Report

- Museum was open for President's Day / Portola Winterfair. Low attendance Saturday due to weather, but crews got some operation time.
- Duane Vanderveen has been working on WP Store insulating. Water is coming in under big roll-up door. Suggested that we install a berm to block water.

### Financial Reports

- Written report provided.
- As usual for Winter, funds are running short and \$20,000 is being transferred from long-term accounts.
- We're running ahead of last year on income from memberships and fundraising.
- Request we control expenses until season open.

### Director's Reports

*Monger* – CAM conference went well. James Mason and Wayne Monger attended. Will provide report next meeting.

### Department Reports

*Publications* – Train Sheet status. John Walker will be sending article on archives / digitization project. Issue 41 of Headlight preliminary layout is done and going to printer. All Portola issue, first of two.

*Historical* – We need second climate control storage in Reno to handle Meeker collection.

### Status of Surplus Property Report

We have an offer from Western Rail wanting to purchase Union Pacific wedge snowplow for use by a shortline. Cost was given to them of \$15,000 FOB Portola. Was identified as deaccession piece many years ago by A&D Committee.

### Public Comments

*Debra Baer* – Debra is now our contact for RR Days Committee. RR Days Committee earned \$700 profit during Winterfest for RR Days. Thanks to Norm and Barbara Holmes and David Epling for their help. Will be meeting with Railroadiana vendors at Winterail next week. Looking at a building for additional model railroads during RR Days. Committee wants to coordinate with us on a joint billboard. Asked for link to RR Days website on WPLives.org.

*Norm Holmes* – Heard that LA County is requesting removal of locomotives from Pomona.

### Notices

President McClure has been talking to Scott Lawson of Plumas County Museum. Plumas County Museum would like to display Spanish Peak 1 and cars at WPRM. Will discuss more in future.